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Shenango Lake Celebrates National Engineers Week

[SHENANGO RIVER LAKE](#) – Shenango River Lake will observe National Engineers Week with an Open House on Saturday, February 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Park Manager's Office. Staff members will be on-hand to answer questions, explain the construction of the dam and to introduce younger visitors to the rewarding careers available in engineering and technology. [Engineers Week](#) is an annual event to increase public awareness and appreciation of engineers and the work they do. During the week, thousands of engineers throughout the U.S. will be participating in a variety of public activities to help create an interest in engineering, math and science.

National Engineers Week is always celebrated during the week of George Washington's birthday, February 22. Washington was instrumental in establishing the West Point Military Academy, whose students were largely responsible for building the infrastructure of our country in the early 1800's. Shenango River Lake, located in Mercer County just 6 miles from Sharon, was built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1965 to reduce flooding in the Shenango Valley and provide recreation and water quality enhancement. One of 16 flood reduction reservoir projects in the Pittsburgh District, Shenango has prevented over \$140 million in flood damages.

For more information on the Open House call the Shenango River Lake Office at 724-962-7746, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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